## JAMES D. SIPE, ADMINISTRATOR.

LETTER FROM THE ASSISTANT CLERK OF THE COURT OF CLAIMS TRANSMITTING A COPY OF THE FINDINGS FILED BY THE COURT IN THE CASE OF JAMES D. SIPE, ADMINISTRATOR OF ASA B. BAUGHER, DECEASED, AGAINST THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 9, 1904.—Referred to the Committee on War Claims and ordered to be printed.

COURT OF CLAIMS, CLERK'S OFFICE, Washington, February 8, 1904.

SIR: Pursuant to the order of the court, I transmit herewith a certified copy of the findings of fact filed by the court in the aforesaid cause, which case was referred to this court by the Committee on War Claims, House of Representatives, under the act of March 3, 1883, known as the Bowman Act.

I am, very respectfully, yours,

John Randolph, Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.

Hon. Joseph G. Cannon, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

[Court of Claims. Congressional, No. 8712. Estate of Asa S. Baugher, deceased, v. The United States.]

This case being a claim for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States for their use during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, the court, on a preliminary inquiry, finds that Asa S. Baugher, deceased, the person alleged to have furnished such supplies or stores, or from whom the same are alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States throughout said war.

BY THE COURT.

Filed December 2, 1901.

[Court of Claims. Congressional case No. 8712. James D. Sipe, administrator of the estate of Asa S. Baugher, deceased, v. The United States.]

## STATEMENT OF CASE.

The claim in the above-entitled case for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States, for their use during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, was transmitted to the court by the Committee on War Claims of the House of Representatives on the 10th day of March, 1892.

On a preliminary inquiry the court, on the 2d day of December, 1901, found that the person alleged to have furnished the supplies or stores, or from whom they were alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States throughout said war.

The case was brought to a hearing on its merits on the 2d day of December, 1902. Gilbert Moyers, esq., appeared for claimant, and the Attorney-General by George M. Anderson, esq., his assistant, and under his direction, appeared for,the defense and protection of the interests of the United States.

The claimant in his petition makes the following allegations:

That his decedent, Asa S. Baugher, resided during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion in Rockingham County, State of Virginia; that in the month of June, 1862, the United States forces by proper authority took from said decedent quartermaster supplies of the value of \$150 and appropriated the same to the United States Army, as follows:

The court, upon the evidence and after considering the briefs and arguments of counsel on both sides, makes the following

## FINDINGS OF FACT.

There was taken from the claimant's decedent in Rockingham County, State of Virginia, during the war of the rebellion by the military forces of the United States for the use of the Army property of the kind and character above described, which was reasonably worth the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125), for which no payment appears to have been made.

BY THE COURT.

Filed June 1, 1903. A true copy. Test this 5th day of February, 1904. [SEAL.]

JOHN RANDOLPH,
Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.